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Re: Standardized List of Information Technology Equipment Manufacturers

The Information Technology department is requesting Commissioner Court approval of the amended list of equipment manufacturers for IT procurement standards. The changes to the FY16 standards list are being driven through consolidation among our vendor community. The approval of this list will provide the IT department an increased support capability by consolidating the number of technology platforms in use at the county. The manufacturers represented on this list are available through resellers from a variety of state contracts, such as the State of Texas Department of Information Resources agreement.

While this list of standards will be used to guide procurement, it does not necessarily preclude the IT department from soliciting bids based on generic specifications where the use of a specific manufacturer is not necessary or where a specific non-standard manufacturer is required for a specific line of business. This list is to serve as a guide and may be amended, by future court order, as technology or market conditions dictate.